

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On page 6, please replace the paragraph that begins with “Bent Blades” with the following paragraph:

Bent blades **28 A** to **28 D** are flexible enough not to prevent the insertion of plate **24** into opening **36**. Bent blades **28 A** to **28 D** are however rigid enough to maintain ~~upper~~ lower surface **25** of plate **24** pressed against lower surface **38** of opening **36**, the free ends of bent blades **28 A** to **28 D** bearing against upper surface **39** of opening **36**. Bent blades **28 A** to **28 D** have a sufficient stiffness to provide a sufficient force opposing to a displacement of plate **24** inserted in opening **36** tending to push away lower surface **25** of plate **24** ~~from~~ onto lower surface **38** of opening **36**. ~~Plays~~ Play between plate **24** and opening **36** ~~is~~ are then suppressed. By determining the position of plate **24**, the position of the cutting plane is thus directly and accurately obtained